Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 08 Oct 2022 until 23:59 on Sunday 09 Oct 2022

Forecast Issued on Friday 07 Oct 2022 at 10:54 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for a windy few days in the hills, and for a drier day on Saturday then a spell of wet weather on Sunday.

Headline for Saturday 08 Oct 2022: Mainly dry. Bright spells. Windy on the tops and feeling bitterly cold.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 08 Oct 2022

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Medium Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** No Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
20%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%

Forecast for Saturday 08 Oct 2022

Weather: Most ranges will have a dry, bright day with some sunshine. Just a few light showers likely, mostly over Creag Meagaidh.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80%.

Low cloud and visibility: Very good visibility with patches of cloud, bases around 700m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	31/40 W	32/42 W	31/40 W	30/39 W	29/39 W	31/41 W	33/43 SW	35/46 SW	38/51 S
900	22/28 W	24/30 W	23/28 W	25/31 W	24/32 W	26/34 SW	25/33 SW	29/38 SW	32/42 S
600	14/20 W	15/21 W	14/20 W	16/23 SW	18/26 SW	18/26 SW	15/23 SW	18/27 SW	20/31 SW
300	6/15 SW	6/16 SW	6/16 SW	8/20 SW	11/23 SW	12/25 SW	8/21 SW	10/24 SW	12/28 S
Glen	3/16 W	3/16 W	3/16 SW	4/17 SW	6/20 SW	5/20 SW	4/18 SW	4/18 SW	4/20 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-1/-9	-1/-9	-1/-9	-0/-8	1/-7	1/-6	1/-6	1/-7	1/-7
900	2/-4	2/-4	2/-4	3/-3	4/-2	5/-1	4/-1	4/-2	4/-2
600	5/1	5/1	5/1	5/1	7/2	7/3	7/3	7/3	7/3
300	6/4	6/3	6/4	7/5	9/7	10/7	9/7	9/6	9/6
Glen	6/5	5/4	5/4	8/6	11/9	11/9	9/8	8/7	9/7
Freezing Level*	1200m	1200m	1100m	1200m	1400m	1600m	1600m	1600m	1500m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Feeling bitterly cold on higher ridges and summits due to combination of strong winds and low temperatures.

Forecast for Sunday 09 Oct 2022
Weather: Deceptively dry, bright start. Soon clouding over with rain spreading from west during the morning, becoming heavy in the afternoon over western ranges. Drier, clearer conditions following in the evening.

Maximum wind: Very strong southerly winds, average speeds of 40mph with gusts 60 to 70mph on the tops.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70% at first reducing 20% by afternoon, mostly in northeast of area.

Low cloud and visibility: Good visibility in the morning with the canopy of cloud above many of the tops at first. Cloud bases will lower to 600m as rain sets in with misty conditions and poor visibility in heavier rain. Conditions improving again during evening.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 5 Celsius rising to 12 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 5 Celsius dropping to plus 3 Celsius later in the day.
Freezing level: Above the summits falling to 1200m by evening.

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